



Aaron Friedberg, professor of politics and international affairs at Princeton University, spoke about his latest book, "A Contest for Supremacy: China, America and the Struggle for Mastery in Asia," on November 15, 2013, at the Mershon Center.



Aaron Friedberg gave the Joseph J. Kruzel Memorial Lecture, given each year in honor of Kruzel, an Ohio State faculty member in political science who served in the U.S. Air Force as well as other posts in the federal government. Kruzel was killed in Sarajevo, Bosnia, in 1995 while serving as deputy assistant secretary of defense for European and NATO affairs.



Aaron Friedberg is co-director of the Woodrow Wilson School's Center for International Security Studies at Princeton University. He also served as deputy assistant for national security affairs and director of policy planning in the Office of the Vice President from 2003 to 2005.



In his talk, Aaron Friedberg examined the factors that appear to be impelling the United States and China toward a deepening geopolitical rivalry, and the strategies that the two nations have devised for dealing with one another.



About 100 faculty, staff, and students turned out to hear Friedberg speak.



Aaron Friedberg is also winner of the Mershon Center's Edgar S. Furniss Book Award for *The Weary Titan: Britain and the Experience of Relative Decline, 1895-1905* (Princeton University Press, 1989).



Aaron Friedberg (left) talks with John Mueller, senior research scientist at the Mershon Center, after his talk.



Aaron Friedberg (center), stands with John Mueller (left), senior research scientist at the Mershon Center, and Randy Schweller, professor of political science at Ohio State.